

House Resolution No. 3581

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who admirably answered the patriotic call to national service through enlistment in any of the various branches that make up the United States armed forces; and

Whereas, Gary M. Fak of Chillicothe, Missouri, attained considerable distinction as an employee of the United States Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service who additionally rose to the rank of Sergeant Major with the United States Army Reserve; and

Whereas, a former member of the United States Marine Corps with service in Vietnam, Gary Fak is now retired from his civilian and military careers; and

Whereas, Gary Fak recently enhanced his already impressive record of achievement when he was selected to be the namesake of the Chemical, Biological, Radiation, and Nuclear Resource Center at Fort Leonard Wood in light of his exemplary service as a Chemical Operations Specialist and Instructor; and

Whereas, no stranger to honors and accolades, Gary Fak is the recipient of the Combat Action Ribbon, Purple Heart with one oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Unit Citation, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with palm device, Republic of Vietnam Civil Actions Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon with numeral 4, Army Service Ribbon, Army Achievement Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, and M-16 Expert Badge; and

Whereas, Gary Fak also deserves mention of his completion of a Bachelor of Science degree from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, where he graduated in the top ten percent of his class; and

Whereas, Gary Fak is justifiably proud to be known as the beloved husband of Gay Fak and the loving father of Garni Churan and Glenna Fak:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in life by Gary Fak and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon the CBRN Resource Center being named in his honor at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Gary M. Fak of Chillicothe, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative James Viebrock
District No. 134

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3581, adopted July 8, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker